

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 24, as follows:**

--The electrically-bent endoscope 2 is connected to the base end side of the inserting portion 6 and further includes an operating portion 7 also functioning as a grasping portion 7a. The electrically-bent endoscope 2 further includes a soft universal cord 9 8 extending from the side of the operating portion 7. The universal cord 8 contains a light guide and/or a signal cable, not shown. The universal cord 8 has a connector portion 9 at the end. The connector portion 9 includes a light guide connector (called LG connector hereinafter) 9a at the end and a video connector 9b and angle connector 9c on the side of the LG connector 9a. The LG connector 9a is removably connected to the light source device 3. The video connector 9b is removably connected to a connecting cable 4a of the video processor 4. The angle connector 9c is removably connected to a connecting cable 5a of the bending control device 5.--

**Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 24, as follows:**

--The endoscope operating portion 7 (which is the operating portion 7 of the electrically-bent endoscope 2) has the grasping portion 7a at the base end side. The grasping portion 7a is a part to be grasped by a user. The endoscope operating portion 7 has multiple video switches 14a for remotely operating the ~~vide~~ video processor 4 above the grasping portion 7a. The endoscope operating portion 7 further includes an air/water feeding button 15 and a suction button 16 on the side. The air/water feeding button 15 controls air-feeding and water feeding operations. The suction button 16 controls suction operations.--